

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of)	Group Art Unit 1796
)	
Hogan, et al.)	Rabago, Examiner
)	
Serial No. 10/526,132)	Confirmation No. 2691
)	
Filed February 28, 2005)	Response Date: December 28, 2009
)	
For Functionalized Polymers and)	Attorney Docket P02039US2A(P342)
Improved Vulcanizates Therefrom)	

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Mail Stop AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed, October 28, 2009, the Applicant, through his attorney, responds as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.